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## UNITED STATES POSTAL EMPLOYEE CHARGED WITH THEFT OF MAIL AND MISAPPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

## PRESS RELEASE

Timothy M. Morrison, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that TINA M. BEAVER, 44, Noblesville, Indiana, was indicted by a federal grand jury sitting in Indianapolis for Theft of Mail and Misappropriation of Funds, following an investigation by the U.S. Postal Service, Office of Inspector General.

The indictment alleges that from on or about October 10, 2007 until October 31, 2007, BEAVER, a postal letter carrier, stole over 100 articles of mail belonging to customers assigned to her Noblesville mailing route. The charge further alleges that BEAVER used a government-issued fuel card to purchase over \$700 of fuel for her personal vehicles from on or about September 22, 2007 until June 9, 2008.

According to Assistant U. S. Attorney Doris L. Pryor, who is prosecuting the case for the government, BEAVER faces a maximum possible prison sentence of 5 years and a maximum possible fine of \$250,000. An initial hearing will be scheduled for August 5, 2008 before a U.S. Magistrate Judge in Indianapolis, Indiana.

The indictment is an allegation only, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty at trial or by guilty plea.

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